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MEETINGS

Board of Trustees

1st & 3rd Tuesdays of each month
7 p.m.; Civic Building, McPicken Dr.

Zoning Commission

1st Thursday of each month
7:30 p.m.; Civic Building, McPicken Dr.

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1st Monday of each month
7:30 p.m.; Civic Building, McPicken Dr.

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Public Safety levy is on ballot

Police, Fire/EMS ask for first increase in 9 years

Miami Township residents will vote in November on a Public Safety levy that will fund the Police and Fire/EMS departments for the next five years. The Board of Trustees approved placing a 3.9-mill levy on the ballot to maintain Police and Fire/EMS services to the community. The last tax increase for these services was 9 years ago in 1996 as part of a Public Safety Levy.

The population of Miami Township has increased almost 30 percent in the last 10 years to about 41,000 residents due to the excellent location, schools, and shopping. With the increase in population has come an increase in service requirements for Fire, Police and Emergency Medical Services (EMS). In 2004, the Police Department answered more than 35,000 calls for service while EMS responded to 2,805 calls and fire responded to 603 calls. Over the next five years, Miami Township's population is expected to grow by 2 to 3 percent per year.

In an effort to keep up with increasing costs, police staffing has been reduced from the 40 authorized officers to 37 through attrition. All departments have been aggressive in obtaining grants to offset costs. In 2000, the township began charging non-residents for EMS runs.

Miami Township's public safety staffing levels are below average in the region, state and nationwide. Miami Township's

police officer-to-population ratio is 0.97 per 1,000 residents. Compared to neighboring communities, Miami Township is

understaffed, as Milford has 2.0 police officers per 1,000 and Loveland has 1.3 officers (Continued on page 2)

Public Safety Levy Facts

- Last Public Safety Levy increase 9 years ago
- Effective rate has dropped 25% in 9 years
- 3.9-mill levy will cost homeowners:
 - \$100,000 home: \$102 per year or \$9 per month
 - \$200,000 home: \$204 per year or \$17 per month
 - \$300,000 home: \$306 per year or \$26 per month

DEPARTMENT FACTS



Miami Township Fire/EMS Department

- 44 Full-time Firefighters
- 93% are Paramedics
- 2,805 EMS runs
- 603 Fire/Incident runs
- 1,049 Fire Inspections
- 3 Fire stations
- 24 hours, 7 days week

*2004 statistics



Miami Township Police Department

- 37 Sworn Policemen
- 35,000 Calls for Service
- 1,218 Enforcement Acts*
- 997 Adult Arrests
- 240 Juvenile Arrests
- 243 DUI Arrests
- 2,437 Traffic Citations

*2004 stats. Includes homicide, rape, robbery, assault, burglary, theft, stolen auto, property damage, arson, domestic violence and others

COVER: Public Safety levy for Police, Fire/EMS on ballot

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per 1,000 residents. The Fire/EMS department is also well below the recommended staffing levels set by the National Fire Prevention Association.

All three services get high marks from residents. According to Police Chief Steve Bailey, "We recently had a 99 percent approval rating in a resident satisfaction survey, so



I believe we are doing a good job for the residents." Fire and EMS Chief Jim Whitworth said "We frequently receive letters and emails of appreciation for our EMS and fire service."

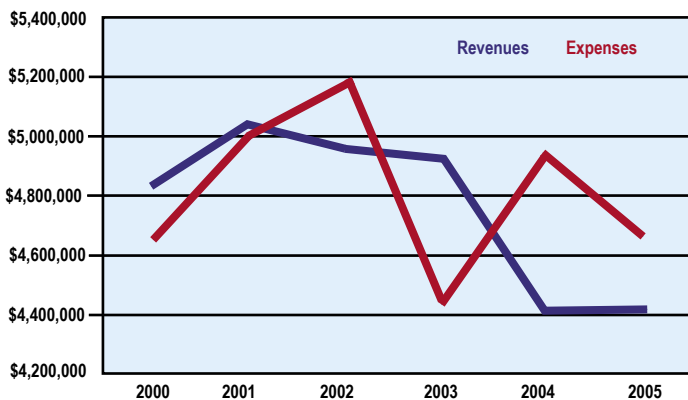
The Board spent consider-

able time analyzing different levy proposals and decided to place on the November 8th ballot a levy that strikes a balance between the needs of the departments and the resident's ability to fund services.

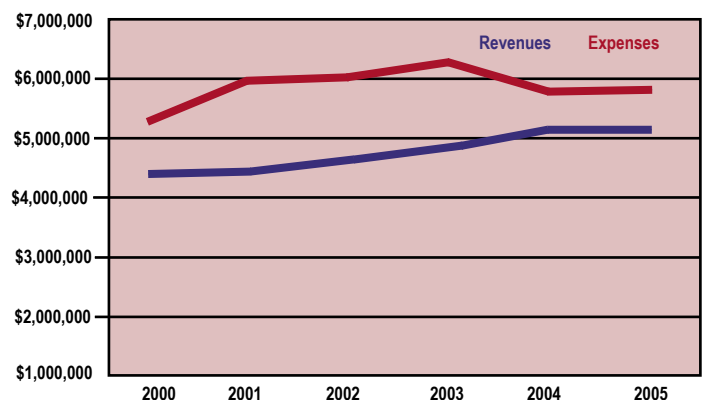


Statistical analysis of Miami Township's Police and Fire/EMS Departments

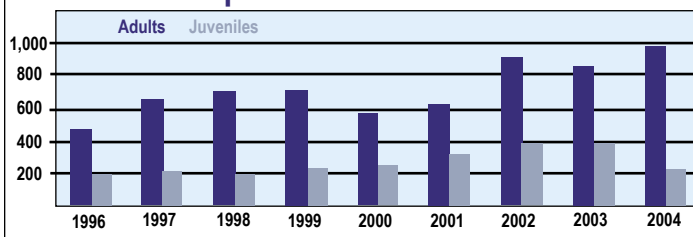
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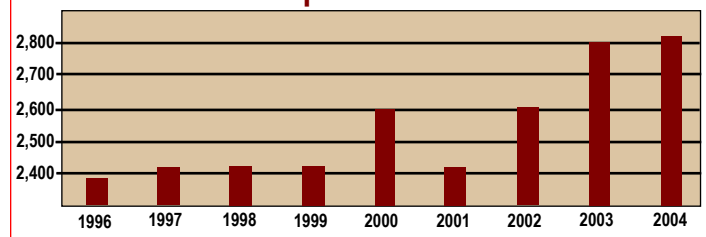
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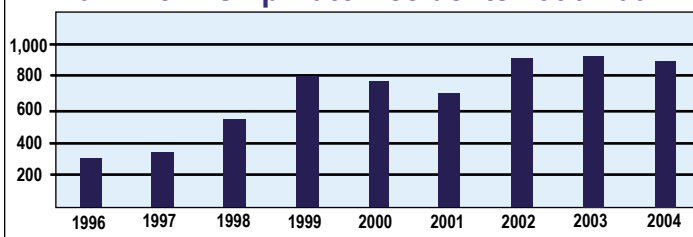
Police Department Arrests 1996-2004



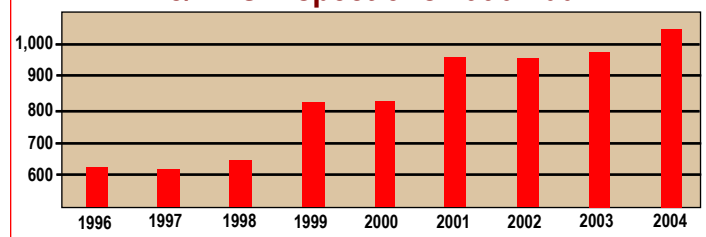
Miami Township EMS Runs 1996-2004



Miami Township Auto Accidents 1996-2004



Fire/EMS Inspections 1996-2004



MIAMI TOWNSHIP POLICE DEPARTMENT

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Resident helps Police solve crime spree

Officers of the Miami Township Police Department twice recently benefited greatly from the actions of conscientious citizens.

On July 18, Officer Annie Morgan and Sgt. Al Fatute were dispatched to Linda Way for two suspicious males seen getting out of a red Jeep at that location by a home owner, who advised both officers that he observed two males get out of the vehicle and put on black sweatshirts and walk behind his residence towards Miami Meadows park.

Officers canvassed the area and did not see either of the two subjects. Ofc. Morgan checked Miami Meadows Park and all was OK. The homeowner advised he would call when or if the subjects left.

At 3 a.m., Morgan and Ofc. Rob Bradford were dispatched back to Linda Way after the homeowner called to advise both subjects had got back in the

red Jeep and were blacked out and leaving the area. Ofcs.

Morgan and Bradford stopped the vehicle on Buckwheat Rd. and identified the driver as Jonathan S Sporing and passenger Michael Lay. A "bong" was located in the back of the vehicle and Sporing was arrested for drug paraphernalia.

Upon Ofc. Bradford's inventory of the vehicle a cash box labeled "Milford Junior Football League" was found in the vehicle with a credit card inside. Neither subject in the vehicle knew the name on the credit card.

Also, a large amount of currency was found in the front right pocket of Sporing's shorts. Located during the inventory of the vehicle were numerous

tools. Bolt cutters, drill, extension cord, drill bits and a 12-volt inverter. Sgt. Al Fatute and Ofc.

Greg Jenkins arrived on scene. Jenkins then left and went to Miami Meadows Park and confirmed that the concession stand had been broken into. Sporing and Lay were transported to the Miami twp. Police Dept. for further questioning. Sgt. Fatute questioned Sporing about the break-in at Miami Meadows and Sporing confessed

Later, Det. Nick Colliver worked with Loveland Police to connect the suspects with robberies that occurred in Loveland and Symmes Twp., and additionally to several other crimes recently committed in Miami Township.



Ofc. Morgan



Ofc. Bradford



Chief Bailey

From The Chief

Miami Township Police Department Detective Nick Colliver was honored as the Ohio American Legion Police Officer of the Year. Colliver was recognized at the District Annual Conference and at the state level for the many investigations that he conducted in 2004 including the investigation of the murder of 6-year-old Brandon Lehn.

Colliver was presented with a plaque for his accomplishments before an audience of almost 150 American Legion members at the Milford Post. He was accompanied by his wife Julie, and myself.

Nick not only is a good investigator, he is an excellent all around police officer. He has a strong work ethic and high personal moral value that guide in him his efforts. I am proud to have him as a member of this department.

Colliver was named the Miami Township Police Officer of the year for 2004 in March, and was also recognized as Police Officer of the Year by the Milford Post of the American Legion on May 9. He was also presented with a certificate of recognition at the Clermont County Law Enforcement Association Banquet on May 26.

Sergeants display leadership skills in graduation

Miami Township Police Sergeant Ted Swain graduated from the Law Enforcement Foundation's Police Executive Leadership College (PELC) on June 17. He was one of 26 students attending the forty-third session of the college.

Sergeant Swain has served with Miami Township for 10 years. Prior to that he served as a Corrections Officer for the Hamilton County Sheriff's Department. He is assigned to the Road Patrol Bureau as a shift supervisor. In addition, Sergeant Swain is a graduate of Northwestern School of Police Staff and Command and holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Criminal Justice.

Miami Township Police Sgt. Al Fatute graduated on May 7 from Tiffin University's School of Criminal Justice with a Master of



Sgt. Ted Swain

Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration.

Tiffin University's MSCJ program prepares graduates for leadership, management, and advanced responsibilities in the field of Criminal Justice as well as providing advanced instruction on topics such as utilizing principles of human resource management, ethics and law, decision-making, and policy development. Sgt. Fatute joined Miami Township in 1993. He also served as a police officer with the Williamsburg Police and as a Law Enforcement Specialist in the U.S. Air Force. He is assigned to the Road Patrol Bureau as a shift supervisor. Sgt. Fatute also holds an Associate of Science Degree in Photographic Technology and a Bachelor of Science Degree in Criminal Justice Administration.



Sgt. Al Fatute

MIAMI TOWNSHIP FIRE & EMS

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October is 'Fire Prevention Month'

The Miami Township Fire/EMS Department will celebrate 'Fire Prevention Month' in October, with a series of programs for school children and senior citizens.

The message is clear: Smoke alarms save lives. Install a smoke alarm outside each sleeping area and on each additional level of your home.

Other tips to consider:

- If people sleep with doors closed, install smoke alarms inside sleeping areas, too.
- Use the test button to check each smoke alarm once a month. When necessary, replace batteries immediately. Replace all batteries at least once a year.
- Vacuum away cobwebs and dust from your smoke alarms monthly.
- Smoke alarms become less sensitive over time. Replace your smoke alarms every ten years.
- Consider having one or more working fire extinguishers in your home. Get training from the fire department in how to use them.
- Consider installing an automatic fire sprinkler system in your home.

Plan Your Escape Routes

- Determine at least two ways to escape from every room of your home.
- Consider escape ladders for sleeping areas on the second or third floor. Learn how to use them and store them near the window.
- Select a location outside your home where everyone would meet after escaping.
- Practice your escape plan at least twice a year.

Escape Safely

- Once you are out, stay out! Call the fire department from a neighbor's home.
- If you see smoke or fire in your first escape route, use your second way out. If you must exit through smoke, crawl low under the smoke to your exit.
- If you are escaping through a closed door, feel the door before opening it. If it is warm, use your second way out.
- If smoke, heat, or flames block your exit routes, stay in the room with the door closed. Signal for help using a bright-colored cloth at the window. If there is a telephone in the room, call the fire department and tell them where you are.

From The Chief

Candles can lift our spirits, yet they can easily result in disaster. All too often, fatal fires caused by candles make headlines. In 2001, home candle fires killed 190 people and caused more than

a quarter million dollars in property damage in the U.S., according to the latest data



Chief Whitworth

from the nonprofit National Fire Protection Association (NFPA). That data also show that candles started more reported home fires in 2001 than at any point since 1980, the first year of available data.

Tragedies like these happen every day, and Miami Township is no exception. This loss of life and property is staggering, but there is much that you can do to protect yourself and your loved ones. As your fire chief, I want you to recognize this danger and learn the ways you can prevent a candle fire in your home.

As part of Fire Prevention Month, we join forces with NFPA in their program of "Use Candles With Care - When you go out, blow out!" to raise awareness of important causes of home fires and the steps to avoid them. Candle safety is one of our top fire safety priorities here in Miami Township during Fire Prevention Week and all year long.

If you use candles in your home, please "*candle with care.*"

Fire Department saves the day for campers



Students from the Milford Church of Christ 'Vacation Bible School' gather around Miami Township Fire/EMS Chief Jim Whitworth after they presented him with a plaque for coming to their rescue June 24 when a water main break nearly forced the cancellation of their "Wild and Wet Day" at the church. Chief Whitworth and his staff took a fire truck to the "waterless" camp and sprayed the kids and demonstrated the truck and equipment. The students were so appreciative that they came to the Miami Township Board of Trustees meeting and gave Whitworth a plaque and thank you cards.

Miami Township **PARKS & Recreation**

Something for Everyone!

FITNESS

Women's Self-Defense

Wed; Oct 12; 6-10 p.m.; Mulberry Elementary; \$10/res \$15/non-res
Join the Miami Township Police Department for self-defense training. Learn easy, practical ways to defend yourself. Please wear rubber-soled shoes and comfortable clothing. Space limited to 30 participants.

Belly Dancing

Mon; Oct 3-24; and/or Feb 6-27; 7-8 p.m.; LH at CP; \$55/res, \$60/non-res. Learn basic American Belly Dance foundational movements, body awareness and placement, cultural history and language, music recognition, and an introduction to zills (finger cymbals).

Fall Adult & Children Tennis Lessons

Tue & Thur; Oct 4-20; 4-5 p.m., (ages 6-9); 5-6 p.m., (ages 10 and older); Adults, 6-7 p.m.; \$40; Buckwheat Road tennis courts at CP. Join instructor Nancy Haines for a program designed to instruct beginner players on improving skills in singles & doubles tennis.

Youth Open Basketball

Wed; 7-9 p.m.; MJHS gym; \$10/session. Session I: Aug 31- Dec 14. Basketball is geared for kids in grades 5-8. Cost covers registration and play on any or all of the 9 evenings during each session.

Men's Open Basketball

Session I: Sun; Aug 21-Oct 16

and/or Session II: Oct 23-Dec 18: 5-7 p.m. (men ages 18-24); 7 - 9 p.m. (men ages 25 and over); MJHS gym; \$10/session Play is recreational. Come join us!

Splash into Shallow-Water Exercise

Tue and Thur; Session I: Sep 27-Dec 13; 9:45-10:30 a.m.; no class 11/8 & 11/24. MHS pool; \$60/both days, \$36/one day. Join Lois Boggs-Leavens for SHALLOW water aerobic program. Using the resistance of the water, this 45-minute class is a body-conditioning program designed to tone and strengthen specific muscle groups and increase your cardiovascular endurance. Appropriate for swimmers and non-swimmers.

Splash into DEEP-Water Exercise

Tue and Thur; Session I: Sep 27- Dec 13; 10:30-11:15 a.m.; no class 11/8 & 11/24. MHS pool; \$60/both days, \$36/one day Join Lois Boggs-Leavens for DEEP water aerobic program. Using the resistance of the water, this 45-minute class is a high energy, dynamic body-conditioning program designed to tone and strengthen specific muscle groups while enhancing cardiovascular endurance.

Yoga Basics

An enjoyable introduction to yoga postures, breathing techniques, and guided relaxation to tone your body, clear your mind, and



experience inner tranquility. Wear comfortable clothes; bring a yoga mat. Pre-registration required.

Tue; Session I - Sep 13 - Oct 18; LH; 10-11:30 a.m.; \$60/six wk, \$12/class
Tue; Session 2 - Nov 1 - Dec 6; LH; 10-11:30 a.m.; \$60/six wk, \$12/class
Tue; Session 3 - Jan 10-Feb 14; LH; 10-11:30 a.m.; \$60/six wk, \$12/class
Wed; Session I- Sep 14- Oct. 19; LH; 5:30-7p.m.; \$60/six weeks, \$12/class
Wed; Session 2 - Nov 2-Dec 7; LH; 5:30-7 p.m.; \$60/six wk, \$12/class
Wed; Session 3 - Jan 11-Feb 15; LH; 5:30-7 p.m.; \$60/six wk, \$12/class

Yoga Beyond Basics

Perfect for the more experienced student who is ready to go further into yoga. You'll learn posture variations and how to link poses to each other (Vinyasa) for a more energetic, flowing practice.
Wed; Session I - Sep 14 - Oct 19; LH; 7-8:30 p.m.; LH; \$60/six weeks, \$12/class
Wed; Session 2 - Nov 2 - Dec 7; LH; 7-8:30 p.m.; LH; \$60/six weeks, \$12/class
Wed; Session 3 - Jan 11-Feb 15; LH; 7-8:30 p.m.; LH; \$60/six weeks, \$12/class

Krystin Thibodeau

Miami Township Recreation Director
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Recreation Department, 248-3725, ext. 112

From The Director

The Miami Township Recreation Department is excited to offer a wide variety of programs for all ages this Fall and winter Season. We are pleased to continue our collaboration with the Milford Exempted Village School



Krystin Thibodeau

District to make some of these opportunities possible.

A new event this Fall, replacing Boo Fest, is our 1st Annual Harvest Festival & Community Bonfire, which will feature live music, food, crafts and more.

For families, we are offering a special Fishing Tournament on Oct. 1 at Miami Meadows for adults and children. We'll award special prizes for the biggest fish caught! We'll have age categories for the kids.

Milford Schools are also making it possible for us to offer Adult Education classes such as Adult Tap, Jazzercise Lite, Line Dancing, Belly Dancing and various Computer classes. With so many recreation programs in place, you are sure to find something for everyone in the family.

LH: Leming House at Comm Park
CP: Community Park Pavillion
MMP: Miami Meadows Pavillion

MML: Miami Meadows Lakeside Pav.
MR: Miami Riverview Park Pav.
PR: Paxton Ramsey Pavillion

SMITH: Smith Elementary School
StMarks: St. Mark's Lutheran School

ADULT EDUCATION

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH MILFORD EXEMPTED SCHOOLS

To register for a class, fill out a registration form and mail or drop off with your check to: Miami Township Recreation Dept., 5900 McPicken Drive, Miami Township, OH 45150. Direct your questions to 248-3725 ext. 116. Pre-registration is required for all classes.

Microsoft Word (Beginning)

Wed; Sep 14-Oct 5; 7-8:30 p.m.; Pattison Elementary Computer Lab; Instructor: Mike Cann; \$75 (4-weeks) Microsoft Word for Beginners provides information and hands-on practice about the many functions of Microsoft Word, including document formatting, mail merge, clip art, office templates and many more.

Intro to Computers

Wed; Oct 26-Nov 16; 7-8:30 p.m.; Pattison Elementary Computer Lab;

Instructor: Mike Cann; \$75 (4-weeks) This class is a basic computer class teaching the components of a computer, including the operating system, mouse functions, keyboard, software, Internet, and email.

Intro to Excel

Thur; Sep 15-Oct 6; 7-8:30 p.m.; Mulberry Elementary Computer Lab; Instructor: Jane Sheehan; \$75 (4-weeks). Excel Introductory course provides instructions for creating simple worksheets and charts used for internal reports and data tracking. Excel is used to organize, calculate, and analyze data.

Intro to PowerPoint

Thur; Oct 27-Nov 17; 7-8:30 p.m.; Mulberry Elementary Computer Lab; Instructor: Jane Sheehan; \$75 (4-weeks). PowerPoint Introductory

course provides instructions for creating professional presentations, including slides, charts and graphics.

Learning eBay

Mon; Oct 24-Nov 14; 7-8:30 p.m.; Mulberry Elementary Computer Lab; Instructor: Jane Sheehan; \$75 (4 weeks). Introduction to Ebay course provides instruction on how to search for, how to post for sale, and how to buy the items you want.

Line Dancing

Thur; Sep 15-Nov 17; McCormick Elementary Auditoria; J&K Line Dance Instructors Janet Short & Kathy Willis. \$50 (10 weeks). This high-energy class will teach adults of all ages to line dance. Participants will learn the latest line dances along with some old favorites. Classes will be 1 hour in length, with beginners from 7:15-8:15 p.m. and intermediate from 8:15-9:15 p.m. Leather-soled shoes or boots will work best when learning to dance.

Adult Tap

Mon; Sep 12-Nov 14; 7:15-8:15 p.m.; Seipelt Elementary Cafeteria; Instructor: Vanessa Edwards \$50 (10 weeks). Students will learn the fundamentals of dance through traditional dance methods while learning about rhythm and movement.

Jazzercise Lite

Thur; Sep 15-Nov 3; 6:30-7:30 p.m.; Meadowview Elementary Auditoria; Instructor: Tonnie Yaeger-Oligee; \$40 (8 weeks). Fitness that's invigorating, not intimidating! This class pairs moderate aerobics with exercises designed to improve your strength, balance, and flexibility. Whether you're a senior, newcomer, pregnant, or otherwise physically restricted, you can't go wrong with this popular light version of the original Jazzercise program.

*subject to change

FAMILY FUN

Concert in the Park

Sun, Sep 18; 6 p.m.; CP Clermont County Philharmonic Orchestra. Featuring music from American Musicals. Hot dogs, soft-serve ice cream & snacks available for purchase (proceeds will benefit Milford Miami Ministries). FREE

Harvest Festival & Community Bonfire

Sat, Oct 15; 7-10 p.m.; CP; 7-10 pm; kid crafts, pumpkin decorating and storytelling by Lonna Kingsbury. Keep warm by the bonfire with Diamond Blue, an acoustic quartet. Sponsored by Miami Market. FREE

Haunted Bus Tour

Sat, Oct 22; 6-10 p.m.; LH at CP; \$15 res/\$20 non-res. We are again offering this popular bus tour with historian Rick Crawford. Tour some of the most haunting sights of Clermont County.

Family Open Recreation

Call for dates; MHS Pool & Gym; \$5/adult and \$1/child. Designed

for family fun. There will be swimming, ping-pong, corn hole, basketball and family extreme dodge ball. Please bring a swimsuit, towel, gym shoes and proper gym attire. Snack will be provided, please bring water bottle or money for soda machines.

Kindermusik

Kindermusik is one place to dance, sing, play and learn about instruments, share a story, create, compare, explore, and more. Each level is carefully designed to enhance your child's musical, language, mental, physical, social, and emotional development. Classes are designed for newborns through age four and are located at the Leming House in Community Park on Monday mornings. Call to attend one free class to see what Kindermusik is all about. Contact Cathy Siebert at 231-3973.

7th Annual Holiday Tree Lighting & Open House

Sat, Dec 3; 4-8 p.m.; LH at CP Enjoy local talent as they ring in the holiday season. Activities include a visit with Santa, cookie decorating, face-painting and hol-

iday crafts. The Miami Township Christmas Tree will be lit at 7:15 p.m. FREE

Ski Trip

Perfect North Slopes

Fri, Jan 13 and/or Fri, Feb 17; 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Ages 7-12; \$35/res, \$40/non-res; Ages 13-59 \$40/res, \$45/non-res; Bus leaves from CP at 9 a.m. sharp. Milford Exempted Village School children are not in school on these days. Bring the whole family out for a fun day of skiing. Price includes lift ticket, ski equipment rental, 1-hr beginner's ski lesson and transportation via school bus.

Fishing Tournament Adult/Child Catch/Release

Sat, Oct 1; 8:30 a.m. check-in MML Pavilion; tournament 9 a.m.-1 p.m.; Tournament ages: Adult - 15 and up; child - 5 to 14; \$15/ team, including bait. Awards given for: Greatest weight 1st, 2nd & 3rd Place (based on # of teams); First Fish Caught. Weigh-ins can be done anytime during tournament with final weigh-in at the end of the tournament.

Pet First Aid & CPR

Sat, Nov 12 or Jan 28; 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.; LH at CP; \$25/res, \$30/non-res (cost includes pet 1st aid book). Basic information for recognizing and treating illnesses and injuries in cats and dogs. Techniques include bandaging, splinting, rescue breathing/CPR and how to create a pet 1st aid kit.

Basic Car Maintenance for Pretty Hands

Sat, Oct 8, 2-4 p.m. or Mon, Sep 26, 6:30-8:30 p.m.; LH; \$30 res/\$35 non-res. Price includes video. Additional Family member \$20res./\$25 non-res. This class is designed to empower the driver with the skills necessary for preventative maintenance.

American Girls in History Celebrates the Holidays

Fri, Dec. 2, 6:30-9 p.m. or Sat., Dec. 3, 9-11:30; LH at CP; Grades 2+, \$15/res; \$20/non-res. Learn how the holidays were celebrated during Queen Victoria's reign thru stories, crafts and foods of the era.

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ARTS & CRAFTS

Bead Jewelry Making

Mon, Nov 7 or Dec 5; LH at CP; 7-8:30 p.m.; \$30/price option (see below). Create unique jewelry using a wide variety of sterling silver and glass beads. Learn basic beading techniques including bead selection, clasp attachment, and bracelet, necklace and earring design. Create a unique gift for someone or a piece for yourself.

Price Options:

- One participant makes any two pieces using sterling silver and glass beads, or
- One participant makes one mother's bracelet (solid sterling silver or 14k gold), or
- Two participants make one piece each—A fun night out for mothers and daughters!

Learn to Knit

Tue; Jan 3-Feb 7; or Feb 21-Mar 28; 6:30-8:30 p.m.; LH at CP; \$25/res, \$30/non-res. In this beginning knitting class you will learn to cast on, knit, purl, and bind off. More advanced stitches will be learned as class progresses. Begin by making a scarf, then move on to other simple projects as skills increase. Supplies: 1 skein of knitting worsted yarn (solid color;



please, no fancy yarns yet), a pair of size 8 or 10 knitting needles. Advanced knitters, sign up and bring your own projects for assistance.

Sew Many Quilters

Meets first Tues of every month; 6:30-9:30 p.m.; LH; \$2/res per month, \$4/non-res per month. Time to gather with other quilters to share projects and ideas. If you've always wanted to quilt—NOW is the time! If you don't have the supplies, we will share our ideas & a supplies list.

Beginning Crochet

Mon; Mar 6-Apr 3; 6:30-8 p.m.; LH at CP; \$25/res, \$30/non-res. Instructor, Samia Farhat, will teach chain stitch, single and double crochet and more on the way to completing a simple crochet project. Please bring a size "G" crochet hook and a skein of worsted weight yarn for practice.

AFTERSCHOOL PROGRAMS

Miami Township Parks and Recreation Department is offering basketball skills, drama, gymnastics, cheerleading, Tae Kwon Do and other after-school programs for children in grades K-8 beginning in October, 2005. Programs will be held at Milford Schools, and at the Leming House. Pre-registration is required. Class sizes limited. Please call 248-3725, ext. 116, or go to www.MiamiTownshipOH.gov for further details.

SENIOR EVENTS

Senior Fall Social

Sun, Sep 18; CP; 4 p.m.; FREE. First 100 Seniors will get a free hot dog, chips, soda & sundae. Socialize with friends and enjoy games, including horseshoes (pits available, bring your own horseshoes), cornhole, lawn and board games. Bring your lawn chairs and listen to the Free Concert by the Clermont Philharmonic Orchestra at 6 p.m.

INFANT, TODDLER, & PRESCHOOL

Playgroup

Session 1: Sept 8-Oct 20; Session 2: Oct 27-Dec 15; Session 3: Jan. 5-Feb. 16; Session 4: Feb 23-April 6; Session 5: April 13-May 25; Thur; 9:30-11 a.m. or 1-2:30 p.m.; LH at CP; \$25/res, \$35/non-res. Playgroup is a great opportunity to have some one-on-one time exploring activities with your child. Each class will come together at "Circle Time" to sing and play with the whole group. Join us to meet new friends and have fun. Please note morning/afternoon and session number on your registration. Space is limited; pre-registration is required.

Visit us online at www.MiamiTownshipOh.gov for more info on programs and events



Miami Township Soccer Club awards scholarships

Miami Township's Board of Trustees welcomed winners of the Miami Township Soccer Club scholarships at a recent Board meeting.



MidSummer at the Meadows welcomes 'MoneyMan'

Miami Township's Board of Trustees greeted rocker Eddie Money backstage at the annual summer event which drew almost 40,000 people in July.

Miami Township Recreation Department - General Registration Form

Participant Name: _____ Parent/Guardian If Minor: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____ Date of Birth: _____ M or F Grade: _____

How would like us to send a registration confirmation notice? ☐ Email ☐ US Mail

Event Name	Date	Time	Location	Fee
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____	_____	_____

Release: Recognizing the risk and possibility of injury associated with participation in Miami Township recreation programs and in consideration of Miami Township offering the programs at a nominal fee and accepting the participant into the program and activities, I for myself, my heir, successors, administrators and assigns hereby release, discharge and/or otherwise indemnify Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio, The Board of Trustees of Miami Township, as well as all employees and/or agents of these entities from any and all claims by or on behalf of the participant, the participant's heirs, administrators and assigns as a result of participating in the Miami Township recreational programs. I further certify that the participant is physically fit and capable of participating in all activities required by the recreational programs and that participating in the recreation programs will not pose a risk of physical harm to any participant. In addition, I grant permission for my child to participate in all activities, including field trips with transportation provided by Miami Township in connection with the program(s) in which I have enrolled my child.

Authorization for Medical Treatment: In the event participant receives an injury requiring medical attention of any type, I hereby authorize Miami Township, Clermont County, Ohio or its employees or agents to consent to whatever treatment is medically necessary and hereby release those entities from any claims whatsoever arising from that consent. I also give Miami Township representatives permission to transport my child to the nearest available medical/dental facility for emergency medical care, although this form does not authorize or guarantee treatment upon arrival at the designated facility, as each facility sets its own treatment procedures.

Authorization to Use Image and Photographic Likeness: In the event the participant or my photograph or other image is taken or created during the participant or my participation in this program, in consideration of the acceptance of the participant in the program, I authorize Miami Township to use my photograph or other image for any purpose and without compensation.

Participant Signature: _____ Date: _____

Guardian if under 18: _____ Witness: _____

Mail or drop off this form with check/money order payable to **Miami Township Recreation Dept, 5900 McPicken Drive, Miami Township, OH 45150**
For questions, please call 513-248-3725, Ext. 112. No phone registration permitted. Event information can be found at www.MiamiTownshipOH.gov

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS PART ONLY IF THE PARTICIPANT IS A MINOR

Mother's Name: _____ Address: _____ Work Phone: _____

Father's Name: _____ Address: _____ Work Phone: _____

List two people who can be contacted in the event of an emergency if the parent cannot be reached:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

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Please complete the following health-care information:

Physician's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Dentist's Name: _____ Phone: _____

Does your child have any fears or problems you are aware of: _____

Please list all allergies and any special precautions and treatments indicated for these allergies, and any chronic medical problems:

Please circle if your child is prone to: Nosebleeds Headaches Ear Aches Vomiting Easily Tonsillitis Stomach Aches

List any other persons that has your authorization to pick up your child:

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

Name: _____ Relationship: _____ Phone: _____

MIAMI TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

LARRY FRONK, DIRECTOR

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Planning process wrapping up

It is September 2005. We began our planning process in August 2004. Over the past year, we talked with a great many people, gathered a wealth of information, analyzed data, prepared maps and text, which were revised as the year progressed.

We now have a draft comprehensive land use plan to guide Miami Township to the year 2025.

A Public Meeting on the draft plan will be held on Wednesday, October 12, at 7 p.m. at the Miami Township Civic Building at 5900 McPicken Drive.

You are encouraged to attend and comment on the draft plan. Different parts of the plan are already on the Township web site for review. A copy of the full draft plan will be placed on the web site before the meeting.

Please visit our web site for current updates on our comprehensive land use planning process – www.miamitownshipoh.gov/comm_dev/landuseplan/landuseplan.htm.

Although this part of our planning process is ending, your input is still important. Please call Larry Fronk, Community Development Director, at 248-3725 or at larry.fronk@miamitownshipoh.gov.



From The Director

Are you interested in a volunteer position that will help shape the future of Miami Township? Each year there is a vacancy on the Miami Township Zoning Commission and the Board of Zoning Appeals.

These Boards meet monthly and each member serves a



Larry Fronk

5-year term. These are exciting positions that will give you first hand knowledge of the planning and zoning issues facing Miami Township. There are no specific qualifications for the positions other than being a resident of Miami Township and a desire to serve the community.

The Zoning Commission meets on the first Thursday of each month and is responsible for recommendations on overall planning and re-zoning issues in the Township.

The Board of Zoning Appeals meets on the first Monday of each month and is responsible for considering and deciding appeals from standards of the Zoning Resolution.

Applications may be picked up at the Miami Township Civic Building, 5900 McPicken Drive, or you may send a resume and/or letter of interest to the same address to the attention of Larry Fronk, Director of Community Development, or e-mail at larry.fronk@miamitownshipoh.gov



Meijer helps sponsor Miami Township events

Meijer store manager Brent Bradford, far left, presented a check for \$12,000 to the Miami Township Board of Trustees for Meijer's sponsorship of several events in the community, including the Holiday Parade and the MidSummer fireworks.

MIAMI TOWNSHIP SERVICE DEPARTMENT

WALT FISCHER, DIRECTOR
 WALT.FISCHER@MIAMITOWNSHIP.OH.GOV

SERVICE DEPARTMENT: 513-248-3728

The Miami Township Service Department has identified roads that will be repaired over the next few months.

A Pavement Management System assists in the Resurfacing Program. Township roads are inspected annually and assigned ratings to characteristics such as surface distress, smoothness of travel, and curb/gutter distress so that paving priorities can be established.

Other road maintenance activities included resurfacing programs, repairing damaged asphalt, repairing potholes, and the maintaining of curb and gutters, striping and guardrail installation.

Most of the township's 137 road miles are made up of subdivision street. Collector streets such as Buckwheat Road and Wolfpen-Pleasant Hill Road are maintained by Clermont County. State Routes (SR28, SR126, SR131, SR48, SR50 and I-275) are maintained by the Ohio Department of Transportation.

2005 Road Resurfacing Schedule

Road	From/To
Pleasant View Dr	Off SR 131
Kay Dr	SR 131 to Pleasant View Dr.
Marcie Ln	SR 131 to Sherwood Dr.
Kent Dr.	Pleasant View Dr. to Betty Ln
David Ln	Off Pleasant View Dr.
Andrea Dr. & Paul Vista Repair	Mueller Meadows
Paxton Woods Dr	Mueller Meadows
Travis Ct	Mueller Meadows
Georgetown Rd.	Paxton South
Macon Ct.	Paxton South
Belmont Rd	Paxton South
Greensboro Ct.	Paxton South
Cheltenham Dr.	Paxton South
Charleston Dr.	Paxton South
Savannah Dr.	Paxton South
Epworth Rd.	Branch Hill Guinea Rd. to Wesley Dr
Wesley Dr	Epworth Rd. to CDS
Grand Ave	Epworth Rd. to CDS
Miami Trace	Maimi Trails to CDS
Miami Bluff	Miami Trails to CDS
Miami Crest Dr.	Miami Trails Dr. to Trailridge Dr.
Miami Ct.	Miami Crest Dr. to CDS
Retswood Ln	SR 48 CDS
Oakbark Ct	CDS to CDS
Red Bird Lower	SR 48 to END
Old Branch Hill Miamiville	Br Hill Guinea to CDS
Belle Mead Farm Dr.	Branch Hill Guinea to Whileaway Dr.
Oriskany Dr.	Belle Mead Farm Dr. to Three Chimneys Dr.
Three Chimneys Dr.	Oriskany Dr to CDS
Mulholland Ct.	Three Chimneys Dr to CDS

From The Director

Charlie Finch of the Miami Township Service Department is retiring on September 30.

Charlie started with the township on July 1, 1984. He has decided to enjoy his family and life at 66 years old and to spend more time with his wife.



Walt Fischer

Before Charlie started working for the township he worked for the Celestex Corporation.

"Charlie has been a valuable employee to this department for many years and will be missed," said Park Foreman John Zellner.

"But I don't think he is going to miss being called out of a deep sleep for snow removal or to come out in a rain storm to remove trees from the roadways or laying asphalt in 90 degree heat."

"We tease Charlie a lot about being old -- old is not a bad thing -- and being here so long," Zellner adds. "We would say he was here before asphalt was invented, or they used to plow snow with horses and on and on. But he takes it like a champ."

The township is planning a special luncheon on September 30 to honor Charlie and say goodbye as a co-worker, but certainly not as a friend.

Charlie will be missed for his hard work, dedication and loyalty. Happy Retirement!

Good Luck, Charlie ... and Thank You!



MIAMI TOWNSHIP TELEVISION



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This month on Miami Township TeleVision ...



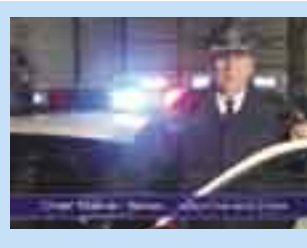
VISION2025

A look at Miami Township's Community Development Department's plan to plot growth in the area.



24/7: Fire and EMS

A look at the Miami Township Fire/EMS, and how they are on-call for residents and businesses around the clock.



Protect & Serve

The story behind the Miami Township nationally-accredited Police Department and the officers who protect and serve.



Milford Matters

The Milford Board of Education's monthly meetings, and other informative programs on the schools.

MIAMI TOWNSHIP COMMUNITY HAPPENINGS



'Good Neighbors' honored

Two residents received Good Neighbor Awards from the Miami Township Board of Trustees. Margo Coe has been proactive in improving the appearance of the Reserve of the Oasis neighborhood. James Griffis came to the aid of a local store manager who was robbed by two men when making a bank deposit at the Meijer store. Mr. Griffis tackled one of the men and held him until Miami Township Police arrived to arrest him.



New Little Miami Bike Trail connection



Miami Township's Board of Trustees and staff helped dedicate the newest addition to the Little Miami Bike Trail with the opening of a trailhead that connects to Miami Riverview Park. The new connection will allow Miami Township residents to access the Little Miami Bike Trail at the park, as well as allow riders along the trail to pull off and use the Miami Riverview Park facilities and to rest. The project was helped with a grant from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources which the Board of Trustees and administrative staff were able to obtain.



Miami Township

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Inside This Issue:

- Public Safety Levy is on ballot
- Resident helps solve crime spree
- Service Dept. veteran retiring
- VISION2025 project nears end

Nominate a 'Good Neighbor'!

Nominate a neighbor who deserves a pat on the back. The 'Good Neighbor' Award honors contributions to the Miami Township community. Please visit www.MiamiTownshipOH.gov.



Visit www.MiamiTownshipOH.gov
or Channel 8/15 on Time Warner Cable
for information on the community

Miami Township wants to keep you informed about your community with a new feature to its website. "Keep In Touch" allows residents to receive periodic information via email about happenings in Miami Township. Visit www.MiamiTownshipOH.gov to sign up.



Trustees welcome new 5/3 Bank branch

Miami Township Trustees help open the new 5/3 Bank branch in front of Lowe's on SR 28. With the Trustees is Miami Township new Town Crier, Bill Knepp, in costume.

Miami Township Holiday Parade

sponsored by Meijer

Thursday, November 17 • 7 p.m.



Join us on SR 28 from Meijer to K-Mart. High school bands and lighted floats. Local businesses or groups interested in taking part can call Brenda Wilson at Miami Township Recreation Department, 248-3725 ext. 118. Check out our website at www.MiamiTownshipOH.gov for parade rules and registration.

We want your TRASH!!



**'Trash Days' are Sept. 23-24
from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.**

Bring us your large trash items — We'll even unload the for you! No hazardous materials, paint, batteries or tires. Enter on Meijer Drive, Exit on McPicken Drive. Must show proof of Miami Township residency. Questions? Call us at 248-3725.